

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:	)	
	)	<b>Group Art Unit:</b> Not Yet Assigned
Edward J. Seppi, et al.	)	
	)	<b>Examiner:</b> Not Yet Assigned
Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned	)	
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Filed: October 15, 2003	)	
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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR	)	
FUNCTIONAL IMAGING USING	)	
CONTRAST-ENHANCED MULTIPLE-	)	
<u>ENERGY COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY</u>	)	

**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.102(c)**

M/S: Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to make the above-identified application special and requests the application to be advanced out of turn for examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.102(c). Applicant submits that an application may be made special upon filing a petition including any evidence showing that an applicant is 65 years of age, or more, such as a birth certificate or applicant's statement. M.P.E.P. 708.02 (IV). Enclosed with this petition is Applicant's declaration, indicating that Applicant's age is more than 65 years of age. No fee is believed required with this petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: 10/15/03

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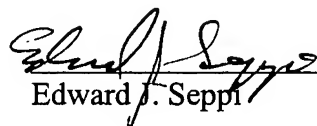
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Enclosure: Declaration by Edward J. Seppi.

**DECLARATION**

I, Edward J. Seppi, hereby declare that I am more than 65 years of age.

Date: Oct 15 2003

  
Edward J. Seppi